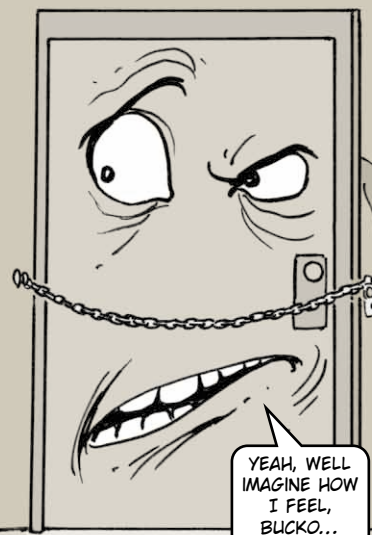


Small Arms...

SECURITY FOR YOUR ARMS ROOM RACKS

Y'KNOW, I DON'T FEEL VERY SECURE ABOUT RACK SECURITY.



YEAH, WELL IMAGINE HOW I FEEL, BUCKO...

ARMS ROOM



SO WHERE DO WE GO FOR ANSWERS ON SECURITY?

From: 2LT J.S.
Sent: Sunday, June 09,
2002 5:07 PM
To: Half-Mast
<psmag@logsa.army.mil>

Dear Half-Mast,
I know that unit arms room racks require strong padlocks and chains to meet security requirements. Could you give me NSNs for a chain and a padlock that would meet those requirements?

2LT J.S.

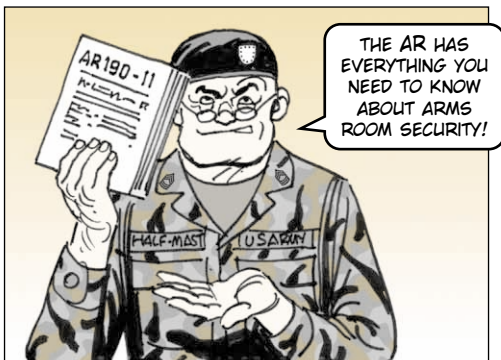
THAT OUGHTA DO IT!



Dear Lieutenant,

You bet. NSN 4010-00-149-5583 brings 550 feet of heavy-duty chain and NSN 4010-00-171-4427 brings 20 feet. NSN 5340-01-408-8434 gets a secure padlock with a 3-in shackle and NSN 5340-00-158-3805 gets one with a 2-in shackle.

You'll find the straight scoop on arms room rack security in AR 190-11, Physical Security of Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives. It's on the Internet at www.usapa.army.mil/gils.



THE AR HAS EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT ARMS ROOM SECURITY!

Here are some important rules armorers must remember:

✧ All arms racks or containers must be locked with approved secondary padlocks. In arms rooms that are not manned 24 hours a day, rifle racks and containers weighing less than 500 pounds must be fastened to the floor or wall or fastened together in groups totaling more than 500 pounds with bolts or with chains equipped with secondary padlocks.

✧ Bolts used to secure racks must be spot welded, brazed, or peened to prevent easy removal. Chains must be heavy duty hardened steel, welded, straight links, galvanized, and of at least 5/16-in thickness or of equivalent resistance to the force required to break or cut a secondary padlock.

Of course, any time you have security questions, the best place to start is with your local security office.

Half-Mast



IS THIS REALLY NECESSARY?

YES, IT IS.



CHAINS MUST BE VERY STRONG TO MEET SECURITY STANDARDS.